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# H. R. 4029

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide an additional standard deduction for real property taxes for nonitemizers.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 31, 2007

Mr. HOLT (for himself, Mr. EMANUEL, Ms. GIFFORDS, Mr. CARNEY, Ms. SHEA-PORTER, Mr. HALL of New York, Mr. PERLMUTTER, Mr. LAMPSON, Mr. RODRIGUEZ, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Ms. BERKLEY, Mr. SESTAK, and Mr. COURTNEY) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

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## A BILL

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1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3       **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “Universal Home-  
5       owners’ Tax Relief Act of 2007”.

1 **SEC. 2. ADDITIONAL STANDARD DEDUCTION FOR REAL**  
 2 **PROPERTY TAXES FOR NONITEMIZERS.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 63(c)(1) of the Internal  
 4 Revenue Code of 1986 (defining standard deduction) is  
 5 amended by striking “and” at the end of subparagraph  
 6 (A), by striking the period at the end of subparagraph  
 7 (B) and inserting “, and”, and by adding at the end the  
 8 following new subparagraph:

9 “(C) in the case of taxable years beginning  
 10 before January 1, 2011, the real property tax  
 11 deduction.”.

12 (b) DEFINITION.—Section 63(c) of such Code is  
 13 amended by adding at the end the following new para-  
 14 graph:

15 “(8) REAL PROPERTY TAX DEDUCTION.—For  
 16 purposes of paragraph (1), the real property tax de-  
 17 duction is so much of the amount of State and local  
 18 real property taxes (within the meaning of section  
 19 164) paid or accrued by the taxpayer during the tax-  
 20 able year which do not exceed \$250 (\$500 in the  
 21 case of a joint return).”.

22 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
 23 this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after  
 24 December 31, 2007.

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